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In re application of:

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Please preliminarily amend the above application prior to  
consideration of the application on its merits, consistent with the instructions  
found attached hereto: